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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

9 LANCE P. McDERMOTT,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 JOHN E. POTTER,

13 Defendant.
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Case No. C09-0776RSL

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR A
WRIT OF MANDAMUS AND
MOTION FOR A SPECIAL MASTER

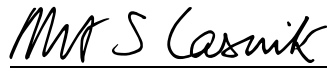
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16 This matter comes before the Court on plaintiff's motion for a writ of mandamus and
17 motion for a special master. Plaintiff, who is proceeding *pro se*, seeks (1) to compel the United
18 States Postal Service to produce the approved "Area Mail Processing Plan" directing the closure
19 of the "Air Mail Center" facilities, and (2) the appointment of a special master to review, and
20 potentially undo, certain actions and programs of the Postal Service. Plaintiff has not supported
21 his motions with any facts to show that the relief he seeks is warranted, or even to show that he
22 has standing to seek that relief.

23 Furthermore, even if plaintiff had supported the motions, the Court would not order the
24 far-reaching relief he seeks on an *ex parte* basis. There is no indication that plaintiff served
25 defendant with a copy of the motions. The Court denied plaintiff's motions for a temporary
26 restraining order and for a preliminary injunction, so plaintiff is not entitled to expedited relief.
27 To the extent that plaintiff seeks documents from defendant, he may request them in the course

1 of discovery consistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules of this
2 district.

3 Accordingly, plaintiff's motion for a special master (Dkt. #2) and motion for a writ of
4 mandamus (Dkt. #3) are DENIED both on the merits and as prematurely filed.

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6 DATED this 10th day of June, 2009.

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9 Robert S. Lasnik
10 United States District Judge
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